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SUBJECT: LAOTIAN PREMIER ENDS VISIT

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1. LAOTIAN PREMIER KAYSONE PHOMVIHANE WOULD UP VISIT TO CZECHOSLOVAKIA IN A BLAZE OF CEREMONY THAT OUTDID EVEN HIS ARRIVAL. IN ADDITION TO PRESIDENT/SECRETARY GENERAL HUSAK AND PREMIER STROUGAL ALMOST ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARTY PRESIDIUM AND SECRETARIAT FELL OUT FOR THE DEPARTURE. SO MANY TOP BRASS WERE PRESENT THAT CZECHOSLOVAK PRESS DID NOT BOTHER TO IDENTIFY BY NAME VICE PREMIERS AND CABINET MINISTERS WHO ATTENDED.

2. IN SPITE OF EXTENSIVE HOSPITALITY AND HEAVY PRESS PLAY GIVEN
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TO VISIT, FEW SUBSTATNTIVE RESULTS HAVE BEEN REPORTED. THE TWO

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GOVERNMENTS SIGNED AGREEMENT ON POSTAL AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COOPERATION. PREMIER KAYSONE IN AN INTERVIEW ALSO INDICATED THAT THE CZECHOSLOVAK PARTY (SIC--NOT GOVERNMENT) WILL PROVIDE LPDR WITH ASSISTANCE IN RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL ECONOMY, IN PREPARTAION OF CADRES IN FIELDS OF ECONOMIC, CULTURE, EDUCATION AND HEALTH AND IN GEOLOGICAL RESEARCH.

3. COMMENT: WHATEVER ECONOMIC RESULTS OF VISIT MAY HAVE BEEN, PRIMARY PURPOSE APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN TO UNDERSCORE SOLIDARITY OF "SOCIALIST" WORLD, AND ESPECIALLY WITH NEW ASIAN COMRADES. WE ASSUME "CADRES" INCLUDE LAO STUDENTS DESCRIBED IN VIENTIANE 2088.
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